"Green Hill" Gateposts Virginia Road No. 728 Long Island Vicinity Campbell County Virginia HABS No. VA-616

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"GREEN HILL" GATEPOSTS

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Address:

Virginia Road No. 728, Long Island Vicinity,

Campbell County, Virginia.

Present Owner:

L. H. Holland and brothers.

Present Use:

Presently used by the owners as gateposts.

PART I. HISTORICAL INFORMATION

"Green Hill" plantation was built by Samue Pannill who first bought 600 acres from William and Moses Fuqua in 1797, and added to and developed the plantation 'til his death in 1864.

PART II. ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

Typical gateposts of the early nineteenth century "Green Hill" plantation, are shaped from granite blocks very similar to a door jamb. The stones or shafts are set into the ground and also act as retainers for the stone fence that butts against them. Gateposts are about 10" x 16", some 48" high with drilled hiles for hinge pintles and latch hardware, some of which are still intact. Present gates are modern replacements.

Condition of gateposts is good, but the general condition of the fences is poor and these receive no maintenance at present time. Much of the stonework has fallen.

Gate openings are located in stone fences constructed in a dry wall manner. Smaller fence openings 6" to 8" square are also found near ground level to permit cats and dogs access from yard to lane south of main house. Photograph shows gate leading from main house into enclosed area once a garden (only a few old boxwood trees remain). A portion of the cobblestone walk can be seen in the right foreground of the photograph.

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